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TO LET.  
EIGHT-ROOMED DWELLING HOUSE  
ON THE UPHILL ROBINSON ROAD. Fix'd  
Iron Paths, Electric bells, Water and Gas.  
Apply to

A. M.  
Daily Press.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. 1527

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY  
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given That the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above COMPANY, which was intended to be held on Friday, the 27th February, 1891, to receive the Report and Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1890, is to be held on FRIDAY, 6th MARCH, 1891, when it will be held for the purpose above mentioned at the Office of the Underagent at 4 p.m.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the date hereof to the 6th March, both days inclusive.

Notice is also hereby given That an EXTRAORDINARY PRIVATE MEETING of the above COMPANY will be held immediately after the termination of the Meeting aforesaid to deliberate on certain proposals to be made by certain Shareholders.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1529

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Victoria Hotel on TUESDAY, the 13th MARCH, Half-past Ten o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to 31st December, 1890, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may competently be brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to 17th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.  
R. LYALL.

Secretary.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1530

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

GRAND ASSAULT-AT-ARMS,  
including  
CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING  
and  
FENCING COMPETITIONS,  
IN AID OF THE CHINESE MEMORIAL  
HOSPITAL.

by Members of the V.R.C. under Staff Sergeant J. TENNANT (Instructor to the Club), assisted by the best Athletes of the Lorne's Athlete Club (A. & S. Highlanders).

to be held at the THEATRE ROYAL,  
CANTERBURY,  
on TUESDAY, 2nd MARCH, 1891,  
commencing at 7 p.m.

PAKTON.  
His Excellency Sir GEORGE WILLIAM DES  
Vaux, K.C.M.G.  
His Excellency Major-General G. DIXON,  
Lieutenant Governor of Colonial CHIEFS and  
the Officers of the BAND of the A. & S. HIGHLANDERS will give  
Selections during the Evening.

PROGRAMME.  
1. Grand March of the 2. Horizontal  
Gladiators. 10. Heavy Weight Box.  
2. Parallel Bar Exercises. 11. High Flying.  
4. Fencing (Final heat). 12. Quarter Staff.  
5. Indian Club Exercise. 13. Vaulting Horse Ex-  
ercises. 6. Light Weight Boxing.  
7. Hornpipe. 14. The Roughs' Riot  
or the Merry Maids.  
8. Rings. GOOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.  
Dress Suits, Reserved Seats... \$2.00  
Stalls... \$1.00  
Soldiers and Sailors... 25c

Tickets can be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALKER.

The PRELIMINARY HEATS of the BOXING and FENCING COMPETI-  
TIONS will be held in the GYMNASIUM of the V.R.C. on MONDAY, the 2nd MARCH, commen-  
encing at 6 p.m.

G. C. C. MASTER.  
Hon. Sec., Victoria Recreation Club.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1532

PUBLIC AUCTION.

L. A. N. C. R. A. W. F. O. R. D. & C. O.  
will hold their annual  
ANNUAL AUCTION OF RACE PONIES,  
HACKS, &c.  
TO-MORROW,  
the 26th instant, at 4 p.m.  
at the FOUNTAIN OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

Owners are requested to send in their lists as soon as possible to the Auctioneers.

L. A. N. C. R. A. W. F. O. R. D. & C. O.  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1533

PUBLIC AUCTION.

T. H. E. Undersigned has received instructions  
to sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION,  
on WEDNESDAY,  
the 4th instant, at 2 p.m.

at the Residence of Miss ROWE,  
London Mission, BONHAM ROAD.

The Whole of the  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,  
Comprising—

REPT. COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,  
BLACKWOOD INLAID MARBLE-  
TOP CENTRE TABLE, BLACK AND GOLD  
CHIFFONIER, and CHAIRS,  
CHIMNEY GLASS, PICTURES, CAR-  
PETS and RUGS.

DRIVING CHAIRS, CHAIRS, WHAT-  
NOTS, CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED  
WARE.

DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD, WARD-  
ROBE, CHEST of DRAWERS, DAVEN-  
PORT, MARBLE-TOP TOILET TABLE  
and WASHSTAND.

COTTAGE PIANO.

&c. &c.  
Catalogues will be sent.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1534

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.  
THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ORIENTAL"

Capt. E. Stewart, will leave for the above  
place about 24 hours after arrival here with the  
outward Mail.

E. L. WOODIN,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1891.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GAWN TENNIS HANDICAP, CRICKET  
GROUND.

THE SECOND ROUND being now com-  
pleted the THIRD TIES will begin  
and must be played off by MONDAY, MARCH  
9th.

W. H. WALLACE,  
for Committee.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1526

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE MONTHLY COMPETITION for  
the FAIRY CHALLENGE CUP, pre-  
sented by Dr. Noble, will take place on  
SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at 2 p.m.

DISTANCE—500 and 300 Yards. Score Shat-  
tach. Position—Standing at 200 yards; Sit-  
ting or Kneeling at 300 yards. Entrance Fee  
30 Cents.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 3  
P.M. to convey Competitors.

C. VIVIAN LADDIS,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1527

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY  
LIMITED.

FOR TAKOW.  
THE Company's Steamship.

"HALPHONG."

Captain Harris will be despatched for the above  
TO-DAY, the 25th inst., at 6 o'clock P.M.  
For Freight or Passage apply to

DOUGLAS & RAIRAY & Co.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. 1518

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI via SWATOW.

(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rate  
for NIUPO, CHENG, TIENIN, NEWCHANG,  
HANKOW, and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

HONGKONG, 24th February, 1891. 1519

THE Company's Steamship.

"FOOKSANG."

Captain Shaw will be despatched as above TO-

MORROW, the 26th inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. 1520

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND  
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship.

"KUTSANG."

Captain Jackson will be despatched as above  
on SATURDAY, the 25th inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. 1521

THE Company's Steamship.

"NIOMEI."

Captain H. C. Thomas will be despatched for the above  
on SATURDAY, the 25th inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Agents.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. 1520

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES  
MARITIMES.

STEAM FOR HALPHONG DIRECT.

Taking Charge for TOURIST and QUININ.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HAIPHONG."

Captain Bouquet will leave for the above port  
shortly after the arrival of the next English  
Mail Steamer from Europe.

For Freight or Passage apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. 1522

THE "GLEN" LINE OF STEAM  
PACKETS.

FROM GLASGOW, LONDON, AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship.

"GLANNOLE."

having arrived from the above ports, Com-  
panies of cargo by him are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed at their risk into the  
godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf  
and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon,  
whence delivery may be obtained after the  
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 2nd  
March, unless sent to re-deliver. No fine in-  
surance will be charged. Compensation will be  
presented to all claim for damages and/or  
shortages not later than the 8th March, otherwise  
they will not be recognized.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Agents.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. 1519

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship.

"KUTSANG."

having arrived from the above ports, Com-  
panies of cargo by him are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed at their risk into the  
godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf  
and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon,  
whence delivery may be obtained after the 2nd  
March, unless sent to re-deliver. No fine in-  
surance will be charged. Compensation will be  
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shortages not later than the 8th March, otherwise  
they will not be recognized.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. 1521

TO-NIGHT-TO-NIGHTS

THE ROYAL JAPAN TOKIO TROUPE

in their

G R A D E T E N T

H O W R I N G T O N

in their High-Class

A C R O B A T I C A N D J U G G L I N G  
P E R F O R

## INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG TRADING CO., LTD.

## OUTFITTERS.

AND

## TAILORS.

## NEW PREMISES.

COLONIAL HOUSE, 4, QUEEN'S ROAD,

12 GOLDEMPALS &amp; 5 SILVER MEDALS

By Appointment.

L U I N & C. O.  
HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA  
(Established, 1863).THE CENTRAL FINE ART DEPOT,  
Known as Oldest and most reliable Establishment in the East!  
Hongkong, February 1891.

1881

WINE AND SPIRITS

BY APPOINTMENT.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,  
(ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.)  
HONGKONG.

We invite attention to the following old hand, brands, all of which are excellent quality and good value for money.

The same being specially selected by our London House, and bought direct from the most noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

It is also necessary to state, the name and quantity of Wine or Spirit wanted, and initial letter for quality desired.

Orders through Local Post or by Telegram receive prompt attention.

PORTS. (For Invalids and general use).

Per Box.

A All Douro, good quality, Green Capsule..... \$10.00  
B Vintage, superior quality, Red Capsule..... 12 4.10  
C Fine Old Vintage, super quality, Black Seal Capsule..... 14 1.95  
D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled)..... 19 1.50

SHERRIES.

A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule..... 6 0.65  
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule..... 7.50 0.75  
C Mendoza, Pale, Super quality, Sherry, White Capsule..... 10 1.00  
CC Superior Old Dry, Pals Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule..... 10 1.00  
D Very Superior Old Pale, Dry, very fine quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled)..... 14 1.25  
E Extra Superior Old Pale, Dry, very fine quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled)..... 19 1.50

Port Wine, Fine Capsule, 1 Quart, Pints.

CLARETS.

A Burton Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule..... \$4 4.20  
B St. Estephe, Red Capsule..... 12 5.00  
C St. Jules..... 7 7.50  
D Le Rose..... 11 12.00

Per Dozen.

BRANDY.

A Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule..... \$12 8.10  
B Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule..... 14 1.25  
C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule..... 18 1.00  
D Hennessy's Almost Very Old Liqueur Cognac..... 19 1.75  
E Vintage Red Capsule..... 24 2.00

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A Thorne's Blown White Capsule..... 8 0.75  
B Watson's Glenlivet, Melton Blend, Red Capsule..... 8 0.75  
C Watson's Abeleans-Glaziers, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark..... 8 0.75  
D Watson's H. D. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Vinyl Capsule..... 10 1.00  
E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Old Capsule..... 12 1.10

IRISH WHISKY.

A John Johnson's Old, Green Capsule..... 8 0.75  
B John Johnson's Fine Old, Green Capsule..... 10 1.00  
C John Johnson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule..... 12 1.30  
GENUIN' BOURBON WHISKY, fine old, Red Capsule, with Name..... 10 1.00

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A Fine Old Tonic, White Capsule..... 12 1.10  
B Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule..... 13 0.40  
C Fins A. V. H. Geneva..... 12 0.50

LIQUOR.

Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule..... 12 1.10  
Good Liqueur Island, \$1.50 per Gallon.  
Benedictine Maraschino  
Curaçao Liqueur, Cherry Cordial  
Chartreuse Dr. Sieger's Angostura Bitters, &c.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Only communications relating to this column should be addressed to "Editor-in-Chief."

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not to publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

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DRINKS.

Sundays, at 49, Peel Street, on the evening of the 18th inst. Mrs. J. M. HANSON.

At 5, Woodstock Terrace, on the 20th February.

Colonel's beloved wife of Captain G. A. TAYLOR.

Deeply regretted.

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## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY PAID QUOTATIONS  
Bank of Hongkong & Shanty, \$125 250 new issue  
shares  
De Nov. issue... \$21,176 \$25  
De Pract. Certif. 210,126 \$25 fixed  
New Oriental... \$10 213  
Dover & Co., H. C. \$50 500 buyers  
Cochrane & Moore & Co. \$10 100 non  
China Sugar... \$100 178  
Chimon Lam '84 C. \$500 500 buyers  
Chimon Lam '85 C. Tls. 250 \$271  
Cochrane & Co. \$50 245, non  
Dairies & Co. \$100 100, non  
Fowke & Co. \$25 123  
Gordon & Co., A. G. \$25 110, non  
Groves Island Cement... \$50 110  
H. C. H. Co. \$25 110, non  
Hongkong & Gas. \$100 120, non  
Hongkong Electric... \$100 120, non  
H. H. L. Tramways... \$100 120, non  
H. K. & K. Wharf & G. \$100 120, sellers  
H. S. Steam Laundry... \$50 100, non  
Hongkong Bops... \$50 127  
H. & W. Dock... \$125 100, p. t. m. buyers  
Hotels... \$10 100  
Hongkong Arms... \$100 120, sellers  
Hongkong Hotel... \$100 120, sellers  
Peak Hotel... \$100 120, non  
Shameen... \$10 100, non  
Intraders... \$10 100  
C. C. Co. \$10 115, non  
China First... \$100 120, non  
China Traders'... \$125 124  
Hongkong Fin... \$100 120, non  
North-China... \$100 120, non  
Star... \$100 120, non  
Stratford Fire... \$100 120, non  
Strata Marine... \$100 120, non  
Union... \$100 120, non  
Yankee Building... \$100 120, non  
H. Land Invest. & Co. \$100 120, non  
Keweenaw Land Inv. \$100 120, non  
Pork Building... \$100 120, non  
Humphreys Estate... \$100 120, non  
W. Young Building... \$100 120, non  
Lurton Super... \$100 120, non  
Mining... \$100 120, sellers  
Burroughs & C. \$100 120, buyers  
John... \$100 120, buyers  
Purjou... \$100 120, buyers  
Rau... \$100 120, buyers  
Selama... \$100 120, sellers  
Planting... \$100 120, buyers  
East Horne... \$50 57  
Lakuk Planting... \$50 500  
Lamay Planting... \$25 37  
Songkay... \$100 120, buyers  
Star... \$100 120, buyers  
China & Manila... \$100 120, sellers  
Dentigas S. Co. \$100 120, buyers  
H. C. Carlton & M. \$100 120, buyers  
Star... \$100 120, buyers  
Trust & Co. \$100 120, buyers  
Do. Founders... \$100 120, buyers  
Watson & Co., A. S. \$100 120, buyers  
E. & S. COXON... Share Brokers

OPUM... \$100 120, buyers  
Plum... Allow on.  
Tin... 3 to 4 cates  
Lard... 3 to 4 cates  
Old Mutton... 3 to 4 cates  
Older Mutton... 3 to 4 cates  
Patum (New)... \$4724 1 to 4 per cates  
Patum (Old)... \$4242 " "  
Revers (New)... \$4824 1 to 4 per cates  
Revers (Old)... \$453 " "

EXPORT CARGO.  
Per German steamer Lydia, on the 18th February.—For Hay... 75 cases stannarised  
16 cases human hair, 15 cases essential oils, 16  
cases drapery, 3 cases paper, and 3 packages  
candles. For Hay... 50 cases stannarised, 50  
cases paper, 9 cases oilcloth, and 50 boxes China  
ware. For Hamburg... 145 bales feathers, 90  
packages rattans, 25 cases Chinaware, 25 pack  
ages ratan drawings, 11 packages sundries, 3  
cases human hair, and 1 case silk. For Lisbon...  
3 cases sundries.

THE WEATHER.

MESSRS. FAUCONER & CO.'S REGISTER, FEB. 24TH.

Bartometer 9 A.M. 30.08 Therm. 9 A.M. (Webster) 65

Bartometer 1 P.M. 30.09 Therm. 1 P.M. (Webster) 65

Bartometer 4 P.M. 30.09 Therm. 4 P.M. (Webster) 65

Thermometer 1 P.M. 72 Therm. 1 P.M. (Webster) 70

Thermometer 4 P.M. 76 Therm. 4 P.M. (Webster) 76

Wind... 30 Miles per hour.

Wind... 30 Miles per hour.</

## TO BE LET.

TO LET.

BLUE BUILDINGS,  
GROUND FLOOR of No. 2.  
FIRST FLOOR of No. 3.

## MAGAZINE GAP.

TWO SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES.  
Kent \$45 each.  
Apply toTHE HONGKONG LAND INVEST.  
MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1891. [59]

## TO LET.

N<sup>o</sup>. 4, WEST TERRACE.Entry into MARCH.  
Apply to

## G. C. ANDERSON,

13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1891. [37]

## TO LET.

DESIRABLE OFFICES &amp; GODOWNS,

No. 13, Praya Central.

Apply to STOLTERFOFT & HIRST,  
Hongkong, 8th October, 1890. [47]

## TO LET.

GODOWN WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.  
GODOWN No. 476, in MATHERSON STREET,  
WANCHAI.Apply to EDWARD SCHELLHASS & Co.,  
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1890. [36]

## TO LET.

A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, No. 3, WILD  
FIELD BUILDINGS, Wanchai Road (opposite  
Bakery).No. 1, (Corner House facing East) and No. 6  
(Corner House facing West) RICHMOND TERRACE;  
furnished with Conservatory and Pools  
and various rooms six good rooms  
and pleasantly situated.Apply to HENRY HUMPHREYS,  
Secretary,  
HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND  
FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED,  
Hongkong, 31st December, 1890. [385]

## TO LET.

TWO HOUSES at the Victoria Peak  
near the Flagstaff, Immediate Possession.Apply to E. JONES HUGHES,  
Hongkong, 11th June, 1890. [49]

## TO LET.

CRAIGELLAUCHIE, 8, BONHAR ROAD.

Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Hongkong, 21st August, 1890. [51]

## TO LET.

GODOWNS, BLUE BUILDINGS.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST.  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 25th December, 1890. [57]

## TO LET.

Possession 1st January, 1891.

DESIRABLE FIVE ROOMED RESIDENCE,  
STOWFORD, Bonhar Road.Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1890. [57]

THE PEAK BUILDING CO., LIMITED.

## TO LET.

THE FIVE-ROOMED HOUSES No.  
7, 8, & 9, SEVERN TERRACE, near Peak  
Chairs Gas laid on.Apply to SECRETARY,  
at Office, 47, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, 11th June, 1890. [50]

## TO LET.

POSSESSION FROM 1ST FEBRUARY.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILD.  
ING CO.'S ESTATE.—Healthily situated  
5-Roomed HOUSES with Bath-Rooms  
complete; splendid view. Moderate Rent. Gas  
laid on.Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,  
Hongkong, 2nd October, 1890. [54]

## TO LET.

FOURTEEN FIVE-ROOMED HOUSES No.  
7, 8, 9, & 10, SEVERN TERRACE, near Peak  
Chairs Gas laid on.Apply to SECRETARY,  
at Office, 47, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, 11th June, 1890. [50]

## TO LET.

EIGHT HOUSES at "MOUNTAIN VIEW,"  
a quiet district, near Pinkeet's Gap.If sold part of the Purchase money can re-  
main on Mortgage.Apply to JOHN A. JUDD,  
Secretary,  
THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL  
AND BUILDING COMPANY, LTD.  
Hongkong, 8th October, 1890. [58]

## TO BE LET.

On favourable terms, with Immediate  
Possession.

Apply to

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## THE CONSULAR AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

The changes contemplated by the Foreign Office in the Consular Service for China may possibly be productive of a small economy, it is difficult to see how they are likely to promote greater efficiency. Moreover unless some other changes are contingent upon them it is difficult to see how they can be effected without injustice to the present members of the Service, each having regard to the ratio of pay and the rate of promotion, would be a substantial hardship." Mr. PATRICK, retires almost immediately, and presumably Sir RICHARD BUNNIX, the Chief Justice of H. B. M.'s Supreme Court in China will also retire about the same time. In the ordinary course these difficulties would lead to the transfer of Mr. CHARLES ALABASTER, Consul at Canton, to the Consular Generalship, and of Mr. J. H. HAMMER, Chief Justice of B. H. M.'s Supreme Court in Japan, to the bench at Shanghai. Mr. FORBES, Consul at Amoy, would succeed Mr. ALABASTER at Canton, and there would be a move up in the ranks all round. But under present circumstances what advantage will the members of the Consular Service reap by the retirement of the Consul-General? It is stated that the economy effected by the combination of the posts of Chief Judge and Consul-General will enable the Foreign Office to convert a little surveillance on this matter right also into a public blessing in dispute to the Company by placing the judicial power of appointment, an inferior article of its general charter, for notwithstanding the figures given in the English returns, the Company we think will find that the competition of the electric light is not to be despised.

## THE HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Hongkong Tramway Company, Limited, appears registered under the Singapore Ordinances, has decided to place itself under the protection of Siam, law and will therefore cease to be an English Company. It is convenient in many respects for a joint stock undertaking to be registered under the laws of the country where it has its seat of operations, and it is gratifying to find that sufficient confidence is felt in Siamese law to justify the step which has just been taken by the Company in question. Siam is in this respect in advance both of China and Japan, in neither of which countries can foreign capital be invested in joint stock enterprises working beyond the limits of the foreign concessions. The Borapah Railway Company is constituted subject to Siamese law, foreigners as well as natives being admitted as shareholders, and the Tramway Company will come under the same regulations. This liberal policy cannot fail to greatly promote the advancement of the country.

It is possible, however, that Lord SALISBURY has in view another method of meeting the claims of the senior officials; or at any rate there is another way open to him. Sir JOHN WALSHAM is about to retire from the post of Minister in Peking, and the Secretary of State must, we imagine, have discovered by this time that the policy of pronouncing a Secretary from some Consular Legation with no experience of Oriental ways and no power of adapting himself to the very different political circumstances of modern China, is not perhaps the soundest that could be adopted, and he may have arrived at the conclusion that it is safer to confide British interests to a man who understands more what those interests are and is acquainted with the best means of efficiently protecting them. The correctness of this policy has already received illustration in the cases of Sir THOMAS WAKE and Sir HARRY PARKER, both of whom had had a lengthy experience in China before being appointed Minister. Moreover it is most undesirable of the present moment that a perfect stranger to Chinese politics and British interests here should be appointed to the new Secretary of Legislation.

—Mr. W. N. BEAUMUR, who has not yet started for China—has had no experience in the East, and every question now pending—and how many important questions are pending and how long they have been pending! Sir JOHN WALSHAM best knows!—would be still further delayed until the new Minister had mastered them. Should, however, Lord SALISBURY appoint Mr. ALABASTER to the charge of the Legation, the work would flow on smoothly and quickly, as little official would receive his deserts instead of being passed over and slighted, the ordinary progression in the Consular Service would be allowed to go on just as though the new appointment at Shanghai had not taken place, and the British community in China would be encouraged and pleased. And truly, in these times, some encouragement is needed, for British merchants and traders have lately had to fume and frit free alike at unscrupulous delays and at failures to obtain justice from China such as never occurred in former years, and which other of a wily Powers would not tolerate.

## THE ELECTRIC LIGHT AND THE GAS COMPANY.

The electric light in Hongkong has up to the present been a decided success. With the exception of a few days shortly after its installation the light has burned steadily and has effects in a remarkable improvement in the illumination of the streets which it has been introduced. Whether it will be able to maintain its character during the wet season remains to be seen, but so far the public has good reason to be satisfied with the arrangement which came into force on the 1st December last. If the Company, when it commences to supply private consumers, is as successful in that branch of its business as it has hitherto been in regard to public lighting, its services will no doubt be largely available. The Gas Company, however, if report speaks truly, is prepared to meet the competition—not so, as might be expected, by improving the quality of its own illuminant or by reducing the price, but by a masterly policy of doing nothing. It is said that when the Electric Company was about to commence operations the local committee of the Gas Company communicated with the directors in London asking them what steps they should take and the reply was that they were to allow things to continue as they were, that the Gas Companies at home had not suffered from the competition of the electric light, and that the directors had no doubt the same would be the case here. Whether this view will be justified by the result alone can probably be drawn from the latest returns of the authorized gas undertakings in the United Kingdom there seems to be some ground for the confidence expressed. The total amount of capital authorised was £75,593,724, and the amount paid-up and borrowed £59,877,537, being an increase over the previous year of £70,930, and the amount of capital authorised, £65,910,720 in the amount paid-up, the increase is revenue being £243,699, against which, however, there was an increased expenditure of £75,012. The increase in the amount of gas sold was 3,229,306,000 cubic feet; 461,4 miles of additional gas mains had been laid, the number of consumers had increased by 51,159, and 12,765 had been added to the number of public lamps lit. Notwithstanding that the expenditure showed a larger increase than the revenue, the average dividend paid by the Companies on their original capital was slightly in excess of that paid in the previous year, being £3.11s. 6d., as against £2.10s. 11d. per cent.

From the above figures it will be seen that electric lighting does not appear as yet to have had any perceptible effect upon the progress of the gas industry. Perhaps one reason why gas holds its own as well as it does is to be attributed to the manner in which the Companys are compelled to maintain the quality of the article at a fair standard. In the last issue of the *Board of Trade Journal* we find notes of five cases of appeal against the reports of gas examiners. In two cases the gas was found deficient in illuminating power,

in two other cases there was an excess of sulphur, and in the fifth sulphurated hydrocarbons were present. In two cases, where the defect was shown to have arisen from unavoidable breakdowns, the appeal was given in favour of the Companies, and in the other three against them. Some time ago the Local Government had it in contemplation to establish a local test for the gas supplied here, but the idea has not, we believe, been carried into effect. It seems very reasonable, however, that in return for the privileges they enjoy the Gas Company should be required to comply with regulations to the quality of the articles they supply to the public. A little surveillance on this matter might also prove a blessing in dispute to the Company by placing the suicidal policy of applying an inferior article out of its power concerned. The result was an excellent race, which Zephyr proved victorious, carrying off the winning honour, however, far more easily than expected. The time, 2 mins. 12 secs., was a second, and a half better than last year's record for the same race. The times for the other events compare favourably with those of last year. The course was in good condition, the rain that fell in the morning improving it slightly.

The following gentlemen officiated:—Mr. H. Horner, Clerk of the Stables; Hon. G. P. Chater, Mr. John Peel, Mr. Forbes, Assistant Judge; Mr. E. H. Gore-Browne, Dr. Robertson, Assistant Steward; Lt.-Col. M. 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